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When the amount demanded of a commodity changes (rises or falls) as a result of change in its own price, while other determinants of demand (like income, taste and prices of related goods) remain constant, it is known as change in the quantity demanded.

Change in the quantity demanded may be of two type (i) Extension of demand (ii) Contraction of demand.

Extension of Demand:

When the quantity demanded of a commodity rises due to fall in its price, other things remaining the same, it is called 'rise in Quantity demanded' or 'extension of demand'.

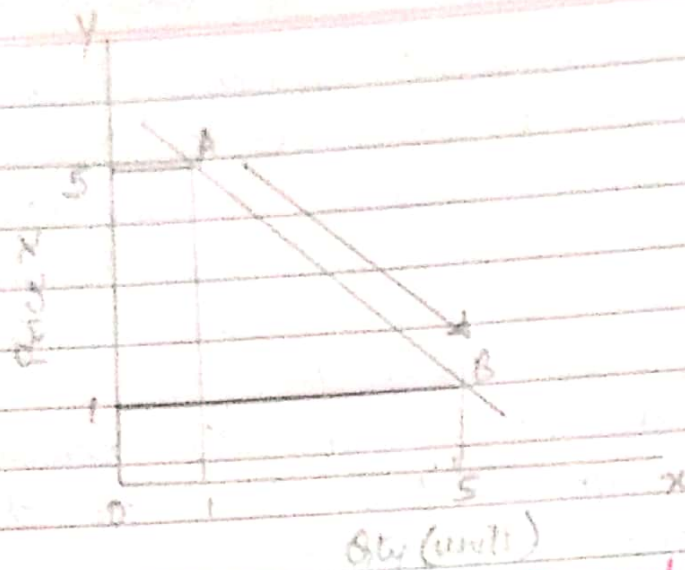
Other things being equal, when quantity demanded increases due to a fall in own price of the commodity. It is called extension of demand.

Table :- Extension of Demand:

Pc. (Rs)	Qx unit	Description:
5	1	Fall in Own price of the Commodity
1	5	Rise in Quantity Demanded.

When the price of Good - X is Rs 5 per unit is demanded. When price reduces to Rs 1 per unit demand extends to Rs 5 units.

Extension of demand is indicated by a downward movement along the demand curve as from A to B as per the fig →



Extension of Demand.

Extension of demand refers to increase in Quantity demanded of a commodity due to a fall in its own price. Diagrammatically it means a movement down the demand curve like from A to B.

Contraction of Demand:

Contraction of demand or fall in the quantity demanded refers to a decrease in the quantity demanded of a commodity as a result of rise in its price other things remains the same.

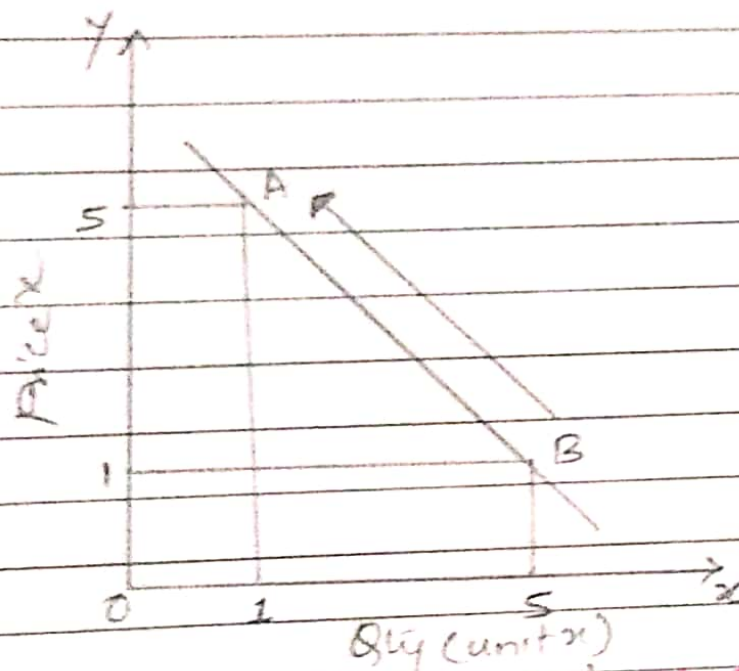
Other things being equal, when quantity demanded decreases due to a rise in own price of the commodity, it is called Contraction of demand.

Table.

Pr (Rs)	Qty (unit)	Description
1	5	Rise in own price
5	1	Fall in Qty demanded

When the price of Goods x is Rs 1 per unit 5 units are demanded. When price rises to Rs 5 per unit demand contracts to 1 unit only.

Similar to extension of demand, contraction of demand is indicated by an upward movement along the demand curve, as from point B to A in fig given below:-



Contraction of Demand.

Contraction of demand refers to decrease a quantity demanded of a commodity, due to a rise in its own price. Diagrammatically it means a movement up the demand curve like from B to A.